

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Official Action issued January 12, 2007. Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. In order to advance prosecution of this Application, Claim 1 has been amended. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and favorable action in this Application.

Claims 1-8 and 10-14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Byers in view of Kimbrough, et al. 2002/0063924. Independent Claim 1 recites ". . . wherein the PI circuit is operable to provide the electrical video signals directly to the residential unit without conversion to ATM cells and without further processing by the RSI circuit . . ." By contrast, the Byers patent requires voice, data, and video information be placed into ATM cells and further processed by its POTS line card, LAN interface card, and video decoder. Thus, the Byers, et al. patent fails to provide electrical video signals directly to the residential unit without conversion to ATM cells and without other further processing as required in the claimed invention. The Kimbrough, et al. 2002/0063924 application is merely cited for its disclosure of a power unit and does not disclose any additional information that would be material to patentability of these claims. Support for the above recitation can be found in FIGURE 7 and at page 23, lines 3-20, of Applicant's specification. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1-8 and 10-14 are patentably distinct from the proposed Byers - Kimbrough, et al. 2002/0063924 combination.

Claim 9 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Byers in view of Kimbrough, et al. 2002/0063924 and further in view of Kimbrough, et al. '908. Independent Claim 1, from which Claim 9 depends, has been

shown above to be patentably distinct from the proposed Byers - Kimbrough, et al. 2002/0063924 combination. Moreover, the Kimbrough, et al. '908 patent does not include any additional disclosure combinable with the Byers patent or the Kimbrough, et al. 2002/0063924 application that would be material to patentability of these claims. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that Claim 9 is patentably distinct from the proposed Byers - Kimbrough, et al. 2002/0063924 - Kimbrough, et al. '908 combination.

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of Claims 15-20.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant has made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For at least the foregoing reasons and other reasons clearly apparent, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all pending claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments associated with this Application to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

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